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17. [ ] Accompanied [ ] OCI, to a briefing of Senator Dick Clark, (D., Iowa) and John Ritch, staff member of Senate Foreign Relations Committee, on Portugal. Ritch who had recently visited Portugal posed some hostile rhetorical questions, which were effectively rebutted by [ ]

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18. [ ] Austin Smith, Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee staff, called in connection with the upcoming publication of testimony, including that of [ ] NIO/SEA on the Mayaguez incident. We have already provided our corrections, security deletions, and recommendations through Graydon Lose, DOD.

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19. [ ] David Bushong, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, called to share with me some intelligence he has obtained on S. 495, the "Watergate Reorganization and Reform Pact." He said that he had some indications that the sponsors of S. 495 may be disposed to back down on the sweeping provisions in Title I of that bill and are considering an amendment in the nature of a substitute. He asked that I keep my eyes and ears open and share with him anything I was able to learn from the Hill on S. 495 and its prospects.

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20. [ ] Received a call from Werner Brandt on the personal staff of Representative Thomas Foley (D., Wash.). Representative Foley is Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture. Brandt said that the Chairman thought that it would be a good idea if the members of the committee and several of the staff could be given an overview of the international sugar problem by the Agencies "economic people." Specifically the committee is interested in USSR beets, Eastern Europe beets, Cuban sugar production, and the dealings of major foreign sugar firms. He was interested in setting this up, if possible, around July 10 or 11. He asked about the possibility of an unclassified paper on the international sugar problem to supplement any oral presentation. I told Brandt that I would get back to him on his request.

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